

HFMA Certification Programs - Comparison Table

Certification>	Certified Revenue Cycle Representative (CRCR)	Certified Technical Specialist (CTS) - Managed Care (MC), Accounting & Finance (AF), Physician Practice Management (PPM), Business Intelligence (BI)	Certified Healthcare Finance Professional (CHFP)	Fellow of the Healthcare Financial Management Association (FHFMA)
Staff level/Audience	Revenue Cycle Professional Staff (i.e.,: Patient Access; HIM; Billing Dept.; Case management)	Mid-level managers in a specific area (Two or more years in the healthcare industry is recommended)	Management level professionals (3-5 years experience recommended)	Financial management executives and other healthcare finance professionals (that meet FHFMA requirements)
Prerequisite	None	None	None. <i>Note: The online Core Curriculum program is not a prerequisite for CHFP.</i>	Must be a current and active CHFP with HFMA to apply.
Cost	\$400 (Study/Exam) <i>Individual and organizational sales.</i>	\$400 (Study/Exam)	CHFP exam only = \$395 Core Curriculum program only = \$249/\$299 (M/NM) iPAD study guide = \$349 (M/NM)	\$150 (one-time fee)
Membership status	Member/Non-Member	Member/Non-Member	Member	Member
CPE awarded	None	None	None	N/A
Exam retake	30 day wait period. No limit within the one year access period. No fee.	30 day wait period. No limit within the one year access period. No fee.	90 day wait period. No limit. \$200 fee applies.	N/A
Chapter Goals-CBSC & Awards:	The CRCR program (study guide and exam) does <u>not</u> count toward the CBSC certification goal or Award of Excellence for Certification.	The CTS programs (study guides and exams) do <u>not</u> count toward the CBSC certification goal or Award of Excellence for Certification.	The Core Curriculum program (study guide and core curriculum exam) does <u>not</u> count toward the CBSC Certification goal or Award of Excellence for Certification.	The Fellowship (FHFMA) program does <u>not</u> count toward the Award of Excellence for Certification because the member has already earned certification (CHFP), which is a prerequisite to apply for the Fellowship (FHFMA) designation.
DCMS:	10 DCMS education hours are awarded upon successful completion of the online CRCR Final Certification Exam (members only).	DCMS education hours are awarded upon successful completion of the online CTS Certification Exam as follows (members only): MC= 12, SF= 15, PPM=10, BI=10	10 DCMS education hours are awarded upon successful completion of the online Core Curriculum Final Test (members only). <i>DCMS education hours are not awarded for the CHFP exam itself. The CHFP examination is not part of the Core Curriculum and requires a separate fee.</i>	N/A
Recertification Requirement	Yes – Online exam every 2 years, fee \$100.	Yes – Online exam every 2 years, fee \$100.	Yes - Educational activity [60hrs] every 3 years, no fee.	Yes - Educational activity [60hrs] every 3 years, no fee.